

GRAPE VARIETIES
100% MERLOT
PRODUCTION
936 CASES
BOTTLED
MARCH 4, 2022
ALC 14.5%
PH 3.6
TA G/L 5.2

## **TASTING NOTES**

Bright, juicy and delightfully complex, our 2020 Estate Merlot is everything. Succulent aromas of blackcurrant, Ceylon black tea, and blueberry are showcased on the nose. Rich dark cocoa and acai berry lead the palate, complemented by refined dusty tannins.

## FOOD PAIRINGS

Autumnal mushroom foraging in the forest

## FIELD REPORT

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A cultivation of the best of two worlds, our Estate Merlot is blended using fruit from two unique growing climates. Cooler climate influences from our Okanagan Falls site combine perfectly with Merlot from our warmer Oliver vineyards. Low cropping levels and careful canopy management allow us to grow fruit that is both concentrated and site-expressive.

## WINEMAKING

Each individual block of Merlot was picked at optimal ripeness and fermented separately in small open-top fermenters. After gentle cap management and the perfect amount of time on skins, the wine was carefully pressed and put to barrel. After spending 16 months in French oak, the wine was blended and bottled without filtration or fining.